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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 11 and 14 as follows:

 (Original) A method for generating a software development repository to reflect extensions in an application framework comprising: defining a repository framework;

receiving application framework metadata, the application framework metadata specified utilizing constructs from an application framework meta-level (M2);

transforming the application framework metadata into an intermediate representation as a function of the application framework meta-level (M2) and a meta-level for the application framework meta-level (M3);

generating the software development repository utilizing the intermediate representation.

- 2. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the intermediate representation is XML ("Extensible Markup Language").
- 3. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the software development repository includes a database schema and an executable component, the executable component providing at least one database service.
- 4. (Original) The method according to claim 3, wherein the at least one service includes object oriented access, versioning, persistence and change management.
- 5. (Original) The method according to claim 2, wherein the step of transforming the application framework into an intermediate representation is achieved using XSL ("Extensible Style Language").
- 6. (Original) The method according to claim 1, wherein the step of generating the software development repository further includes the steps of generating a source file

for generating an executable component and a script file for generating a database schema.

7. (Original) A method for generating a software development repository to reflect changes in an application framework comprising:

providing a first meta-level (M2) for representing the application framework metadata; providing a second meta-level (M3) for representing the M2 meta-level; receiving application framework metadata, the application framework metadata specified utilizing constructs from the application framework meta-level (M2);

transforming the application framework metadata into an intermediate representation as a function of the application framework meta-level (M2) and the second meta-level level (M3);

generating the software development repository as a function of the intermediate representation.

- 8. (Original) The method according to claim 7, wherein the intermediate representation is XML.
- 9. (Original) The method according to claim 7, wherein the software development repository includes a database and an executable component, the executable component providing at least one service with respect to the database.
- 10. (Original) The method according to claim 9, wherein the at least one service includes versioning, change management, persistence and change management.
- 11. (Currently Amended) An object repository generator <u>associated with a computer</u> <u>system</u> comprising:

an interface, the computer system actualizing functionality of the interface to for receiveing a meta-model specification;

a metadata engine, the computer system actualizing functionality of the metadata engine to for performing at least one operation on the meta-model specification including at least generating an intermediate representation of the meta-model specification as a function of a first meta-level and a second meta-level;

a generator component, the computer system actualizing functionality of the generator component to for generateing the object repository as a function of the intermediate representation.

- 12. (Original) The object repository generator of claim 11, wherein the meta-model specification utilizes at least a subset of UML ("Unified Modeling Language").
- 13. (Original) The object repository generator of claim 11, wherein the generator component generates a source file and an database schema script, the source file utilized to generate an executable component and the database schema script utilized to generate a database schema.
- 14. (Currently Amended) An object repository generator associated with a computer system comprising:

an interface, the computer system actualizing functionality of the interface to for receiveing a meta-model specification;

a metadata engine, the computer system actualizing functionality of the metadata engine to for performing at least one operation on the meta-model specification including at least generating an intermediate representation of the meta-model specification as a function of a first meta-level and a second meta-level, the meta-data engine including a database for storing a plurality of versions of an object repository;

a generator component, the computer system actualizing functionality of the generator component to for generateing the object repository as a function of the intermediate representation.

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15. (Original) The object repository according to claim 14, wherein the database storing versions of an object repository is utilized to provide migration of data stored in the object repository.

- 16. (Original) A method for providing generic migration of previously stored data in a software development repository to reflect changes in an application framework comprising:
 - providing a first meta-level (M2) for representing the application framework metadata; providing a second meta-level (M3) for representing the M2 meta-level;

receiving application framework meta-data, the application framework metadata specified utilizing constructs from the application framework meta-level (M2);

transforming the application framework meta-data into an intermediate representation as a function of the application framework meta-level (M2) and the second meta-level level (M3);

generating the software development repository as a function of the intermediate representation;

transforming the previously stored data into a format compatible with the generated software development repository utilizing the intermediate representation.